NOAA NWS EXTENDS EXCESSIVE HEAT WARNING FOR L.A. COUNTY OPERATIONAL AREA CITIES AND UNINCORPORATED AREA COMMUNITIES

Excessive Heat Warning started on Friday, June 28, 2013 (10 a.m. PDT) and has been extended to Monday, July 1, 2013 (9 p.m. PDT)

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Weather Service (NWS) Los Angeles/Oxnard office announced it is extending the Excessive Heat Warning for the Los Angeles County Operational Area cities and unincorporated area communities that started on Friday, June 28 (10 a.m.) until Tuesday, July 2, 2013 (9 p.m. PDT).

A strong upper level high pressure system centered over Southern Nevada will remain in this area till Monday and is expected to drift slowly North in the middle of the week.

The forecasted temperatures will remain hot across much of Southwestern California through at least Tuesday, with little relief even during the night time hours. Record or near record high temperatures are expected through Tuesday.

Afternoon temperatures are forecasted to climb between 100-114 degrees in various parts of the Los Angeles Operational Area.

A NOAA NWS Excessive Heat Warning means temperature heat index is expected to climb between 100-114 degrees in some parts of the Los Angeles County Operational Area.

The NOAA NWS Excessive Warning is issued for the Los Angeles County Operational Area cities and unincorporated area communities including Acton, Antelope Valley, Lancaster, Los Angeles Mountain areas, Mt. Wilson, and Palmdale (effective until Tuesday, July 2) - Burbank, Newhall, Northridge, Pasadena, Pomona, Santa Clarita, Santa Clarita Valley, San Fernando Valley, San Gabriel, San Gabriel Valley, Santa Monica Mountains Recreational Area, Topanga, Universal City, Valencia and Woodland Hills (effective until Monday, July 1, 2013).

Precautionary Preparedness Actions:

To reduce the risk during outdoor work the Occupational Safety and Health Administration recommends scheduling frequent rest breaks in shaded or air conditioning environments. Anyone overcome by heat should be moved to a cool and shaded location. Heat Stroke emergency, call 911. Also, never leave children, seniors/older adults or pets in enclosed vehicles even for a short period of time. Even if the windows are partially open, temperatures can quickly rise to life-threatening levels.

For additional information on the Excessive Heat Warning - LA Cooling Center list, please go to http://lacounty.gov Emergency Alerts and LA County Announcement sections. For disaster/emergency preparedness information, please access http://lacoa.org and http://espfocus.org.

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